

Italian Wine Guide 2011

132 wines reviewed from 12 regions of Italy

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Legend

Controlled designation of origin

DOCG: Vino a Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita

DOC: Vino a Denominazione di Origine Controllata

IGT: Vino a Indicazione Geografica Tipica

Type of wine

Red wine

Rosé wine

White wine

Sparkling wine

Sweet wine

Service

Ready to drink

Ready to drink or keep until indicated

Keep until indicated

Notation

★ Ordinary (75-79)

★★ Good (80-84)

★★★ Very good (85-89)

★★★★ Excellent (90-94)

★★★★★ Sublime (95-100)

♥ Personal favourite

N.B.: The prices incited are subject to changes relative to the SAQ price policy.

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Zonin Montepulciano d'Abruzzo 2009
Casa Vinicola Zonin
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$11.45 (SAQ # 327460)
★★ (81/100)
All occasion wine offering a slightly winey bouquet of baked red berries. Round and fluid body evolving on a thin finish.



Majolica Podere Castorani 2009
Podere Castorani
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$12.90 (SAQ # 10754252)
★★ (83/100)
Wine carrying sweet cherry, liquorice and clay aromas. Fruity, medium body wine with a vivid acidity and slightly coarse tannins.



Riparosso 2009
Illuminati
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$13.65 (SAQ # 10669787)
★★ (83/100)
Fairly discrete wine carrying cherry and sweet spice aromas. Easy and accessible medium body wine.



Bacchus agrobiologico 2009
Volpi
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$15.80 (SAQ # 11462024)
★★ (84/100) ♥
Wine displaying fruity, red cherry aromas combined with smooth notes of eucalyptus and hints of menthol. Smooth and charming, fruity mouth evolving on a nice floral finish.



Cuvée dell'Abate 2009
Zaccagnini
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$16.90 (SAQ # 908954)
★★ (86/100) ♥
Wine displaying a good combination of fruitiness with tar, violets and smoky undertones. Inviting mouth, with a lovely fruity body that makes you crave more.



Pan 2006
Bosco Nestore
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$20.40 (SAQ # 907436)
★★★★ (86/100)
Intriguing bouquet mixing sweet spices with fig, balsamic and molasses fragrances. Lively fruity body with a nice warm spicy ending.



Coste delle Plaie 2007
Podere Castorani
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$20.95 (SAQ # 10788911)
★★★★ (87/100)
Clean, rich and fruity Montepulciano carrying dark berry fragrances intertwined with fresh tobacco, tar and underbrush aromas. Tasty and well balanced wine, ideal with red meats.



2016

Podere Castorani 2004

Podere Castorani
Abruzzo
Montepulciano d'Abruzzo doc
\$29.90 (SAQ # 10383113)
★★★ (88/100)
Intriguing nose mixing cherries, dates and dark fig aromas with hints of balsamic accents. Lovely, round and filling, full bodied mouth with a pretty modern signature.

EMILIA
ROMAGNA**Emilia-Romagna Colle del Re 2010**

Umberto Cesari
Emilia-Romagna
Albana di Romagna doc
\$14.00 (SAQ # 10780354)
★★★ (84/100)
Fresh and lively bouquet offering nice citrus, white peach and peppermint aromas. Sweet and fruity mouth recalling peach and nectarine flavours.

**Campo di Mezzo 2009**

Tre Monti
Emilia-Romagna
Sangiovese di Romagna Superiore doc
\$15.90 (SAQ # 11034353)
★★★ (85/100)
Fresh, slightly thin bouquet of strawberries. Lively, fruity accessible mouth still clearly recalling strawberries.



2014

Sangiovese Riserva 2008

Umberto Cesari
Emilia-Romagna
Sangiovese di Romagna doc
\$19.45 (SAQ # 10780338)
★★★ (87/100) ♥
Fairly complex Riserva offering red and black berry aromas combined with smoky, coffee and vanilla undertones. Medium body to full body wine displaying a good fruity structure ending on vanilla and grilled oak undertones.



LAZIO

**Poggio del Cardinale 2009**

Fontana di Papa
Lazio
Lazio igt
\$13.95 (SAQ # 11315420)
★★ (84/100)
Lovely bouquet of red berries and sweet spices. Easy, fruity mouth ending on a pleasantly spicy finish. Good value wine.

**Vini di Velletri Riserva 2005**

Consorzio Produttori Vini di Velletri
Lazio
Velletri doc
\$15.75 (SAQ # 175141)
★★ (83/100)
Fun, fruity bouquet with discrete vegetal undertones. Smooth and fluid medium body wine lingering on sweet cinnamon spice.



LOMBARDIA

**Rivaclara Pinot Grigio 2007**

Tenuta Scarpa-Colombi
Lombardia
Oltrepo Pavese
\$20.00 Priv. Imp.
★★★ (85/100)
Fresh and vibrant bouquet displaying fruity and vegetal undertones recalling peach, yellow apple and banana skin aromas. Lively, refreshing pinot grigio.



MARCHE

**Garofoli 2010**

Macrina
Verdicchio Castelli di Jesi doc
\$15.15 (SAQ # 452805)
★★★ (85/100)
Mineral nose offering an intriguing combination of rock candy and Mirabelle plum. Fresh and crispy wine evolving on a nice mineral finish.



2014

Rosso Conero 2008

Moroder
Macrina
Rosso Conero doc
\$16.80 (SAQ # 11155307)
★★★ (85/100)
Clean, slightly discrete bouquet with violets and red berry aromas. Appealing wine with a warm and luscious body ending on persistent violets undertones.



PIEMONTE

**Nivole 2010**

Michel Chiarlo
Piemonte
Moscato d'Asti doc
\$11.40 (SAQ # 979062)
★★★ (84/100)
Sweet and charming bouquet of exotic fruits recalling lychee, peaches and ginger. Smooth, soft and creamy mouth. Ideal dessert wine with strawberries.

**Ricossa 2009**

Mondo Del Vino
Piemonte
Barbera d'Asti doc
\$13.95 (SAQ # 11315446)
★★ (83/100)
Typical Barbera aromas with little red berries and pastry fragrances with slightly green undertones. Smooth, fruity and accessible all-purpose wine.



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Langhe Rosso 2008
Batasiolo
 Piemonte
 Langhe igt
 \$16.20 (SAQ # 611251)
 ★★★ (84/100)
 Fairly fruity wine displaying caramelized brown sugar and rose petals undertones. Medium body wine offering a good fruitiness evolving on a slightly peppery finish.



Barbera d'Asti 2008
Castello del Poggio
 Piemonte
 Barbera d'Asti doc
 \$17.20 (SAQ # 10391447)
 ★★★ (86/100)
 Nice, clean red berries aromas with marzipan undertones. Soft and refreshing wine with lovely raspberry flavours.



Abaco 2007
Villa Fiorita
 Piemonte
 Monferrato Rosso doc
 \$18.20 (SAQ # 11383633)
 ★★ (84/100)
 Sweet and floral nose with notes of eucalyptus, violets and black pepper. Medium body wine lacking a bit of character, but fairly attractive nonetheless.



2014
La Luna e I Falò 2008
Terre da Vino
 Piemonte
 Barbera d'Asti superiore doc
 \$19.95 (SAQ # 627901)
 ★★★ (87/100) ♥
 Nice, rich Barbera combining ripe red berries fragrances with smoked cold cuts and violets undertones. Warm, fruity and inviting mouth evolving on a lovely spicy finish.



2014
Tullio 2007
Tenuta Scarpa-Colombi
 Piemonte
 Barbera d'Asti doc
 \$20.00
 Priv. Imp.
 ★★★ (87/100)
 Fairly complex flowery bouquet combining violets and BBQ undertones. Smooth and tasty wine evolving on a fresh fragrant finish.



2015
La Tota 2009
Marchesi Alfieri
 Piemonte
 Barbera d'Asti Superiore doc
 \$23.55 (SAQ # 978692)
 ★★★ (88/100) ♥
 Attractive and elegant bouquet recalling violets and raspberries. Smooth and well balanced wine with a lovely warm finish.



2017
Mompertone 2007
Prunotto
 Piemonte
 Monferrato rosso doc
 \$25.15 (SAQ # 10862616)
 ★★★★★ (90/100) ♥
 Fresh and attractive fragrances of black and red berries elegantly mix with kirsch and flowery aromas. Flavourful and comforting wine with a lively acidity and a nice spicy finish.



2017
Barolo 2007
Batasiolo
 Piemonte
 Barolo docg
 \$26.90 (SAQ # 10856777)
 ★★★ (87/100)
 Inviting and accessible Barolo offering red berry aromas combined with rose petals and vanilla undertones. Inviting and refreshing mouth lingering on a fruity and peppery finish.



2016
Bricco del Drago 2006
Poderi Colla
 Piemonte
 Langhe
 \$27.15 (SAQ # 927590)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Deep, warm balsamic aromas intertwine with black berries and vanilla fragrances. Rich, fruity full body wine with chunky tannins and a vivacious acidity.



2020
Barolo Rocche 2005
Aurelio Settimo
 Piemonte
 Barolo docg
 \$37.50 (SAQ # 11039269)
 ★★★ (89/100)
 Complex bouquet combining soft balsamic fragrances with kirsch and spicy undertones. Traditional Barolo offering a lively fruitiness combined with powerful and chalky tannins. Meal wine par excellence.



2020
Sori Paitin Barbaresco 2006
Azienda Agricola Paitin
 Piemonte
 Barbaresco docg
 \$50.50 (SAQ # 11338007)
 ★★★★★ (93/100)
 Elegant, multifaceted bouquet of fresh cherries intertwined with notes of sweet spices, rose petals and vegetal undertones recalling underbrush and fresh mushrooms. Smooth and balanced body offering a lovely lingering fruitiness supported by straight, yet well tamed tannins.



2017
Campo Quadro 2003
Punset
 Barbaresco docg
 \$53.50 (SAQ # 10816679)
 ★★★ (91/100)
 Clean, delicate, feminine and velvety fragrances of fresh red berries mixed with floral accents and hints of crème brûlée. Lovely, soft, round and balanced Barbaresco.



2020
Barolo Bussia
"Dardi Le Rose" 2004
Poderi Colla
 Piemonte
 Barolo docg
 \$55.00 (SAQ # 10816775)
 ★★★★★ (91/100)
 Rich and multilayered wine offering nice mineral, graphite, kirsch and balsamic fragrances mixed with wild mushrooms and black cherry aromas. Smooth and tasty body displaying a nice, refreshing acidity and impressively soft tannins.



Sangiovese Pasqua 2010
Pasqua Vigneti e Cantine
 Puglia
 Puglia igt
 \$10.40 (SAQ # 545772)
 ★★ (82/100)
 Fruity Sangiovese with a slightly peppery nose. Smooth, accessible and tasty mouth.



Scia Castorani Sangiovese 2010
Podere Castorani
 Puglia
 Puglia igt
 \$12.00 (SAQ # 10966765)
 ★★ (83/100)
 Inviting red berry bouquet with slightly flowery and spicy undertones. Smooth, medium body wine.



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Luigi Leonardo 2009
Luigi Leonardo
Puglia
Primitivo del Salento igt
\$12.85 (SAQ # 643544)
★★ (84/100)

Rich, jammy and fruity wine displaying nice smoky and spicy aromas. Sweet, fruity and attractive flavours combine with a nice spicy finish. Ideal BBQ wine.



Merlot Trevini Primo 2009
Mondo Del Vino
Puglia
Puglia igt
\$13.95 (SAQ # 643106)
★★ (84/100)

Lively cassis and black currant fragrances intertwine with slightly meaty and peppery undertones. Soft and round mouth offering plenty of fresh fruits.



Lapaccio Primitivo 2010
Pasqua Vigneti e Cantine
Puglia
Salento igt
\$13.95 (SAQ # 610204)
★★ (83/100)

Slightly unripe bouquet mixing vegetal undertones with red berry fragrances. Rather smooth and fruity medium body wine.



Tatu 2007
Vigne e vini
Puglia
Primitivo Tarantino igt
\$15.00 (SAQ # 10675992)
★★ (86-87/100) ♥

Rich blackberry bouquet that combines with nice smoky, chocolaty and liquorice aromas. Warm, tasty and filling body ending on a pleasant peppery finish.



Violante Nero di Troia 2007
Azienda Vinicola Rivera
Puglia
Castel del Monte docg
\$17.50 (SAQ # 11451923)
★★★ (87/100)

Fairly complex bouquet offering plum and balsamic fragrances. Full body wine displaying black plum flavours evolving onto a warm spicy finish supported by powerful tannins.



Torcicoda 2008
Tormaresca
Puglia
Salento igt
\$19.80 (SAQ # 11331631)
★★★★ (90/100) ♥

Charming, deep red berry bouquet mixing toasted vanilla, menthol and cinnamon. Rich, smooth and balanced medium body wine with loads of fruits, soft tannins and a good lingering finish.



Il Falcone Riserva 2006
Azienda Vinicola Rivera
Puglia
Castel del Monte docg
\$24.00 (SAQ # 10675466)
★★★★ (90/100) ♥

Sophisticated bouquet of baked black fruits and chocolate with streams of balsamic and cigar box aromas. Luscious, well balanced full body wine with strong, polished tannins.



Filieri 2009
Cantina Dorgali
Sardegna
Cannonau di Sardegna doc
\$16.15 (SAQ # 11577227)
★★★ (85/100)

Fresh and intriguing bouquet mixing red berries with vegetal -mushrooms- undertones. Tasty and fruity wine of medium intensity.



Primula 2009
Firriato
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$10.95 (SAQ # 606368)
★★★ (83/100)

Sweet, jammy nose of strawberries with a slight touch of sweet spices. Fruity, fluid and vibrant wine with a tickling spicy finish. Good value wine.



Syrah 2010
Cusumano
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$13.65 (SAQ # 10960777)
★★ (84/100)

Jammy nose with a touch of spices, menthol and sweet oak. Slightly less expressive mouth with a nice refreshing spicy ending.



Sicilia Angimbé 2010
Cusumano
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$13.95 (SAQ # 11097101)
★★★ (85/100)

Nice, soft honey bouquet paired with pear and peach fragrances. Fresh, fruity and expressive wine lingering on a nice mineral finish.



Regaleali Nero d'Avola 2008
Tasca d'Almerita
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$16.40 (SAQ # 482604)
★★★ (85/100) ♥

Inviting and fruity nose of rich black berries combined with nice smoky, spicy fragrances. Smooth and tasty medium body wine.



Anthilia 2010
Donnafugata
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$16.45 (SAQ # 10542137)
★★ (84/100)

Attractive bouquet recalling oranges and grapefruits mixed with mineral accents. Fruity and tasty mouth with a nice refreshing ending.



La Segreta bianco 2010
Planeta
Sicilia
Sicilia igt
\$16.70 (SAQ # 741264)
★★ (83/100)

Vibrant bouquet recalling pineapple and apricot with hints of citrus. Fresh and vibrant wine.



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La Segreta Rossa 2010
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$16.70 (SAQ # 898296)
 ★★★ (85/100)
 Fresh, fragrant bouquet mixing red and black berries with floral undertones. Lively wine of medium structure evolving on a nice floral finish.



Sedara 2009
Donnafugata
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$17.90 (SAQ # 10276457)
 ★★★ (84/100)
 Deep black fruits and liquorice aromas intertwine with meaty, underbrush fragrances. Smooth and fluid wine with a rather discrete fruit and a slightly vegetal mouth.



Vigna di Gabri 2009
Donnafugata
 Sicilia
 Contessa Entellina doc
 \$21.55 (SAQ # 11098269)
 ★★★ (87/100) ♥
 Rich, waxy nose of yellow plum and rock candy. Rich and inviting wine that lingers on a nice refreshing finish.



Santagostino 2008
Firriato
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$23.95 (SAQ # 10327605)
 ★★★ (86/100)
 Bouquet combining red berries with sweet spices. Sweet and tasty medium body wine ending on a nice refreshing spicy finish.



Tancredi 2007
Donnafugata
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$30.00 (SAQ # 10542129)
 ★★★ (89/100)
 Vibrant nose of plum, blackberry, vanilla, chocolate and coffee endorsed by well integrated wood. A great wine with firm tannins and good structure.



Ben Ryé 375ml 2008
Donnafugata
 Sicilia
 Passito di Pantelleria doc
 \$30.00 (SAQ # 11301482)
 ★★★★★ (93/100)
 Rich and complex bouquet of peach and apricot marmalade mixed with dry figs and saffron ending on spicy and zesty candied orange peel accents. A great and luscious sweet wine of impressive depth.



Chardonnay 2008
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$37.75 (SAQ # 855114)
 ★★★★★ (90/100)
 Deep and creamy nose of nectarine and yellow apple mixed with hints of warm pastry and grilled vanilla. Suave and unctuous pleasure wine.



Cometa 2009
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$37.75
 Priv. Import
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Intriguing nose of exotic fruits, citrus and refreshing mineral undertones. Classy and vibrant mouth ending on a tasty lingering finish.



Merlot 2007
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$37.75 (SAQ # 705962)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Classy, fragrant bouquet offering blackberry highlights combined with a nice floral and spicy finish. Luscious and vibrant full bodied wine with graceful tannins and a fresh lingering finish.



Santa Cecilia 2007
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$37.75 (SAQ # 705947)
 ★★★ (89/100)
 Rich and multilayered Nero d'Avola displaying typical blackberry aromas with mineral undertones and cleverly integrated roasted oak aromas. Sapid, balanced and refreshing wine with a good vibrant finish.



Syrah 2007
Planeta
 Sicilia
 Sicilia igt
 \$37.75 (SAQ # 707097)
 ★★★★★ (90/100) ♥
 Rich, bouquet of ripe red berries and black olives with lovely accents of sweet spices and vanilla. Round, fruity and flavourful full body wine with well integrated tannins and a vibrant spicy finish.



Mille e una Notte 2006
Donnafugata
 Sicilia
 Contessa Entellina doc
 \$70.25 (SAQ # 10223460)
 ★★★★★ (92/100)
 Intense bouquet of sweet, ripe plums with nice complex floral accents of violets ending on balsamic and tobacco highlights. A wine of great structure and impressive character.



Toscana Albizzia
Chardonnay 2010
Marchesi de' Frescobaldi
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
 \$14.95 (SAQ # 541235)
 ★★ (84/100)
 Fruity and lively nose recalling green apples with accents of fresh citrus. A good refreshing crispy wine.



Pater Sangiovese 2009
Marchesi de' Frescobaldi
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
 \$15.45 (SAQ # 409896)
 ★★ (84/100)
 Classic Sangiovese bouquet recalling red berries and violet letting through hints of black currant. Fun, accessible wine.



Fumaia 2010
Banfi
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
 \$15.95 (SAQ # 854562)
 ★★ (84/100)
 Fruity and expansive nose recalling peaches and pear with hints of citrus. Fresh and crispy wine with a grassy ending.



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Ciliegiole 2009
Azienda Il Grillesino
Maremma igt
\$16.45 (SAQ # 10845146)
★★ (84/100)
Jammy, slightly heady red berry bouquet crossed by hints of vegetal undertones. Rather flimsy body with a pronounced acidity.



Le Roccaie 2008
Rocca de Montemassi
Toscana
Maremma Toscana igt
\$16.55 (SAQ # 11184968)
★★★ (86/100)
Sweet bouquet of red berry aromas crossed by hints of spicy caramel and eucalyptus. Warm and fruity mouth ending on a peppery finish.



Santa Cristina 2009
Antinori
Toscana
Chianti Superiore docg
\$16.95 (SAQ # 11315411)
★★★ (85/100)
A bit richer than in past years, it offers a nice red berry flavour with slightly flowery undertones. Smooth and lively mouth with a slightly pungy peppery finish.



Poggio alla Badiola 2009
Marchesi Mazzei
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$17.45 (SAQ # 897553)
★★★ (86/100)
Lovely red berry flavours with hints of rhubarb. Tasty, fruity mouth of medium body evolving on a smooth, warm finish.



Sasyr
(Sangiovese/Syrah)
2008
Rocca delle Macie
Toscana
Toscane igt
\$17.50 (SAQ # 11072907)
★★★ (86/100)
Jammy strawberry nose with cinnamon undertones. A filling, full to medium body wine with chunky tannins and a nice spicy lingering ending.



Pomino Bianco 2010
Castello di Pomino -
Frescobaldi
Toscana
Pomino doc
\$18.95 (SAQ # 65086)
★★★ (85/100)
Inviting bouquet recalling jasmine flower, pear and citrus aromas. Fresh and crispy mouth with nutty undertones.



2014
Il Ducale 2008
Ruffino
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$18.95 (SAQ # 11133204)
★★★ (87/100)
Lovely bouquet that exhales a mix of cassis, blackberries and cherries combined with spicy tobacco and violets undertones. The mouth is smooth and forthcoming with fairly soft tannins.



2014
Vermentino 2010
Tenuta Guado al Tasso
Toscana
Bolgheri doc
\$19.95 (SAQ # 11499126)
★★★ (88/100)
Expansive, fresh and fruity bouquet with notes of ripe peaches nicely intertwined with soft floral accents. Flavourful, smooth and fruity mouth lingering on a fresh and crispy finish.



2017
Chianti Classico 2009
Carpineto
Toscana
Chianti Classico docg
\$20.00 (SAQ # 478891)
★★★ (86/100)
Floral bouquet recalling violets with meaty accents and hints of underbrush. Full bodied Chianti Classico ending on a lingering floral finish.



2015
Lamole di Lamole 2008
Lamole di Lamole
Toscana
Chianti Classico docg
\$20.65 (SAQ # 953489)
★★★ (85/100)
Fresh red berry bouquet with hints of violet and mineral undertones recalling clay. Fairly accessible wine of medium body supported by a vibrant acidity.



2016
Poggio ai Ginepri 2008
Tenuta Argentiera
Toscana
Bolgheri doc
\$21.05 (SAQ # 11161299)
★★★ (88/100) ♥
Rich, smoky nose of blackberries, cassis and plum progressing on sweet, nutty undertones. Tasty and well balanced affordable Bolgheri.



2016
Tenuta Sant'Alfonso 2008
Rocca delle Macie
Toscana
Chianti Classico docg
\$22.15 (SAQ # 10324877)
★★★ (88/100)
Concentrated bouquet of ripe Sangiovese with classic red berry and rose petal aromas with hints of violets and sweet oak. Filling wine with loads of fruits and chunky tannins.



2017
Nipozzano Riserva 2007
Marchesi de' Frescobaldi
Toscana
Chianti Rufina docg
\$22.95 (SAQ # 107276)
★★★ (88/100) ♥
Soft, feminine bouquet of fresh red fruits balanced by nicely integrated oak fragrances and delicate floral undertones. Smooth and attractive, well balanced wine.



2015
Farnito Chardonnay 2009
Carpineto
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$23.40 (SAQ # 366054)
★★★ (88/100)
Complex, zesty, pear and yellow apple fragrances intertwine with nutty, grilled vanilla and spicy undertones. Rich and vibrant wine of amazing depth.



2018
Peppoli 2008
Antinori
Toscana
Chianti Classico docg
\$23.60 (SAQ # 10270928)
★★★ (88/100)
Deep fragrances of red berries combine with lovely floral and cured smoked meat accents. Rich, medium to full body wine with lovely, fruity flavours of red berry ending on a nice floral finish.



2020
Villa Antinori 2007
Antinori
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$23.95 (SAQ # 10251348)
★★★ (89/100)
Rich and fairly complex nose combining strawberry, black olives and bell pepper aromas with vegetal and mineral accents. Silky and fluid mouth ending on a lovely spicy finish.



2014
La Braccasca 2006
Antinori
Toscana
Vino Nobile di Montepulciano docg
\$24.20 (SAQ # 11324895)
★★★ (87/100)
Strawberry and rose petal bouquet, followed by notes of vanilla. Mouth-coating wine recalling strawberry jam.



2016
Chianti Classico Riserva 2006
Rocca delle Macie
Toscana
Chianti Classico docg
\$24.20 (SAQ # 10324543)
★★★ (87/100)
Rather discrete and vegetal nose offering delicate red berries aromas with hints of spicy violets. Sapid and vibrant wine with a sweet, spicy finish.



2016
Fonterutoli 2008
Marchesi Mazzei
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$24.95 (SAQ # 856484)
★★★ (86/100)
Rich and spicy bouquet recalling strawberries with hints of cassis. Powerful body with a slightly unripe fruit and chunky tannins.



2015
Rosso di Montalcino 2009
Casanova di Neri
Toscana
Toscana igt
\$25.30 (SAQ # 10335226)
★★★ (87/100)
Fresh and fragrant bouquet of red berries mixed with spicy candied violets. Soft and fruity wine with a gentle floral finish.



2017
Vino nobile di Montepulciano 2007
Poliziano
 Toscana
 Vino nobile di Montepulciano docg
\$26.35 (SAQ # 11194832)
★★★ (89/100)
 Intense and complex bouquet of ripe cherries and violets aromas combined with tar, black liquorice and leather undertones. Elegant medium to full body wine with a nice lingering finish.



2019
La Massa 2009
Fattoria La Massa
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
\$26.55 (SAQ # 10517759)
★★★★ (90/100) ❤️
 Classy and inviting notes of suave blackberries intertwine with soft smoky vanilla accents. Smooth and silky body with well integrated tannins ending on a fresh fruity finish recalling blueberries.



2020
Il Bruciato 2008
Antinori
 Toscana
 Bolgheri doc
\$27.75 (SAQ # 11347018)
★★★★ (90/100)
 Graceful, fresh wild berries aroma cleverly combine with hints of sweet oak and rose petals aromas. Sapid, balanced and attractive mouth with a nice fresh lingering finish.



2016
Marchese Antinori 2006
Antinori
 Toscana
 Chianti Classico Riserva docg
\$28.95 (SAQ # 11421281)
★★★★ (90/100)
 Clean, harmonious bouquet of red berries, violets and sweet spices. Charming, mouth filling medium to full body Chianti Classico ending on a lovely smoky finish.



2017
Le Volte 2009
Tenuta dell'Ornellaia
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
\$29.95 (SAQ # 10938684)
★★★ (88/100)
 Soft and delicate floral nose with lovely wild berry fragrances and lofty vanilla undertones. Sapid and vibrant mouth of good structure.



2018
Crognolo 2008
Tenuta Sette Ponti
 Toscana
 Toscana igt
\$31.25 (SAQ # 10297039)
★★★ (89/100)
 Rich, sweet and sour bouquet recalling wild berries intertwined with cedar and vegetal undertones. Warm and tasty full bodied wine with nice bittersweet flavours and a heady spicy finish.



2020
Toscana Lucente 2008
Luce della Vite
 Toscana igt
\$35.00 (SAQ # 860627)
★★★ (89/100)
 Inviting, suave and silky aromas of little blackberries topped with smooth vanilla undertones. More feminine than in previous years, the Lucente 2008 still carries ample body structure and characteristic dry chalky tannins balanced by a lovely integrated fruitiness.



2021
Badia a Passignano 2007
Antinori
 Toscana
 Chianti Classico Riserva docg
\$42.00 (SAQ # 403980)
★★★★ (92/100)
 Charming ripe red berry overtones elegantly intertwine with smooth and fragrant floral accents. Superb, sapid and delightful Chianti Classico.



2018
Roccatto 2006
Rocca delle Macie
 Toscana
 Toscane igt
\$42.25 (SAQ # 10254514)
★★★★ (90/100)
 Heady and concentrated cassis fragrances entangle with smoky, balsamic, cigar box and roasted vanilla aromas. Intense and powerful Supertuscan with loads of fruits and grilled vanilla.



2018
Val di Suga 2004
Tenimenti Angelini
 Toscana
 Brunello di Montalcino docg
\$45.50 (SAQ # 897017)
★★★ (89/100)
 Concentrated dry red berries aromas intertwine with balsamic accents and candied violets undertones. Wine of good structure with rich plum flavours, sturdy tannins and a nice dry ending.



2018
Col d'Orcia 2006
Tenuta Col d'Orcia
 Toscana
 Brunello di Montalcino docg
\$47.25 (SAQ # 403642)
★★★ (88/100)
 Suave and inviting bouquet mixing wild red berries fragrances with smooth floral, smoky and chocolate accents. Classic, vibrant and tangy full body Brunello with powerful chalky tannins.



2020
Fontalloro 2007
Felsina
 Toscana
 Toscana i.g.t.
\$56.25 (SAQ # 11269419)
★★★★ (93/100) ❤️
 Fresh red cherries and cassis fragrances cleverly intertwine with hints of cedar, sweet spices and balsamic undertones. Expansive and flavourful wine of great balance ending on a smooth lingering finish.



2020
Vigna del Fiore 2005
Fattoria dei Barbi
 Toscana
 Brunello di Montalcino docg
\$61.75 (SAQ # 10217300)
★★★★ (90/100)
 Rich and meaty bouquet recalling fresh plums and red wild berries with silky flowery undertones and accents of fine cured Speck. Round and filling Brunello carrying robust, yet soft tannins and a nice warm spicy ending.



2025
Argenteria 2007
Tenuta Argenteria
 Toscana
 Bolgheri doc
\$68.00 (SAQ # 11547378)
★★★★ (94/100)
 Expansive, classy and engaging nose of sweet blackberries, candied tomatoes and chocolate ganache intertwined with fresh tobacco, eucalyptus and black liquorice undertones. Marvelous, sapid and silky wine of great balance offering a delightful airy finish.



2020
Brunello di Montalcino Riserva 2004
Fattoria dei Barbi
 Toscana
 Brunello di Montalcino docg
\$84.00 (SAQ # 10215793)
★★★★ (91/100)
 Soft and graceful red berry aromas cleverly combine with smoky sweet vanilla and feminine floral accents. Rich and vibrant Brunello with smooth, well-tamed tannins.



2025
Guado al Tasso 2007
Antinori
 Toscana
 Bolgheri Superiore doc
\$86.75 (SAQ # 977256)
★★★★★ (95/100) ❤️
 Suave and silky bouquet of fresh black berries, cassis and dark fig fragrances intertwined with sweet vanilla and refreshing menthol undertones. Refined Bolgheri of amazing depth and freshness with loads of fruit and a superb, delicate, smoky finish.



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**2024****Giorgio Primo 2008**

Fattoria La Massa

Toscana

Toscana igt

\$90.25 (SAQ # 11290226)

★★★★★ (94/100)

Alluring, gentle and classy aromas of wild berries combine with silky vanilla accents and hints of airy sweet spice. Rich and inviting wine of great finesse evolving on a caressing, lofty finish.

**2024****Luce 2006**

Luce della Vite

Toscana

Toscana igt

\$98.50 (SAQ # 10222766)

★★★★★ (94/100)

Sophisticated bouquet of amazing depth recalling fresh plum, cherries and chocolate mint with hints of toasted coffee beans and black pepper. Warm and filling Supertuscan ending on an elegant peppery finish.

**2024****Pietradonice 2006**

Casanova di Neri

Toscana

Rosso di Toscana igt

\$109.25 (SAQ # 10335154)

★★★★★ (95/100)

Amazingly fresh and elegant bouquet of wild berries and cassis fragrances intertwined with complex tar and graphite mineral undertones. Classy, superbly balanced Supertuscan evolving on a smooth, sweet cinnamon finish.

**2025****Ornellaia 2008**

Tenuta dell'Ornellaia

Toscana

Bolgheri Superiore doc

\$180.00 (SAQ # 11239771)

★★★★★ (94/100)

Impressively soft and ethereal bouquet of small bush berries with hints of lofty cigar box and underbrush fragrances. A velvety, feminine wine of amazing structure with streaming balsamic and mineral fragrances flowing into a long fruity lingering finish.

**2025****Solaia 2007**

Antinori

Toscana

Toscana igt

\$241.50 (SAQ # 10821064)

★★★★★ (97/100)

Meditation wine expressing fresh wild berries and plum fragrances elegantly filled with streams of cedar, roasted cocoa and sweet vanilla. Classy, balanced, rich and filling full body wine of impressive character lingering endlessly on a nice refreshing spicy finish.



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**2014****Vitiano 2009**

Falesco

Umbria

Umbria igt

\$15.45 (SAQ # 466029)

★★★ (86/100)

Slightly heady nose of dried berries combined with lofty smoky undertones. Filling, meaty, medium to full body wine supported by a good tannic backbone.

**2013****Bramito del Cervo 2010**

Castello della Sala -

Antinori

Umbria

Umbria igt

\$22.10 (SAQ # 10781971)

★★★ (88/100) ♥

Inviting bouquet of exotic fruits with nice honeycomb undertones. Luscious and inviting medium body white wine with a refreshing and lingering finish.

**2017****Rosso Outsider 2005**

Arnaldo Caprai

Umbria

Umbria igt

\$29.85 (SAQ # 11580821)

★★★ (89/100)

Suave, fresh aromas of cassis and black currant intertwined with hints of menthol and sweet vanilla. Dense and flavourful full bodied wine with dry, chewy tannins.

**2018****Montefalco Arnaldo**

Caprai 2006

Arnaldo Caprai

Umbria

Montefalco doc

\$31.75 (SAQ # 11098242)

★★★★★ (90/100) ♥

Interesting combination of red berries, rhubarb, caramel and Sandal wood fragrances. Massive, filling and tasteful bittersweet red wine with chunky tannins ending on a warm lingering finish.

VENETO &
FRIULI-VENEZIA
GIULIA**Pinot grigio Vivolo**

di Sasso rosé 2010

Casa Vinicola

Botter Carlo&C.

Veneto

Veneto igt

\$11.55 (SAQ # 10790771)

★★ (82/100)

Soft, fresh and floral bouquet. Vibrant and tangy rosé with a slightly vegetal finish.

**2010****Rustego 2010**

Montresor

Veneto

Valpolicella doc

\$12.95 (SAQ # 81794)

★★ (83/100)

Delicate, fruity and feminine wine with soft red berry aromas. Fluid, vibrant all-purpose red wine.

**2009****Il Giungo 2009**

Casa Vinicola Zonin

Veneto

Gambellara Classico doc

\$14.25 (SAQ # 642744)

★★★ (85/100)

Lovely, fresh and fruity bouquet with floral accents and green almonds undertones. Tasty, crispy wine with mineral accents.

**2013****Santi Nello Prosecco**

Casa Vinicola Botter

Carlo&C.

Veneto

Prosecco di Conegliano-

Valdobbiaine docg

\$15.75 (SAQ # 10540730)

★★★ (83/100)

Smooth, fresh and fruity sparkling wine with pretty floral undertones. Soft, creamy mouth with a

refreshing finish.

**2010****Chardonnay Vino**

Frizzante

Tenuta Ca' Bolani

Veneto

Delle Venezie igt

\$15.95 (SAQ # 211847)

★★ (83/100)

Sweet and fruity bouquet recalling fresh pears with hints of citrus. Lovely, fizzy semi-sweet wine ideal for aperitif.

**2010****Valpolicella**

Allegrini

Veneto

Valpolicella doc

\$15.95 (SAQ # 11208747)

★★ (84/100)

Inviting, fresh and fruity bouquet of red berries offering attractive accents of raspberry and sweet red peppercorns. Soft and enjoyable Valpolicella with a smooth and vibrant ending.

**2013****Modellissimo 2007**

Masi

Veneto

Rosso del Veneto igt

\$15.95 (SAQ # 11254604)

★★★ (85/100)

Pleasant nose of dry berries, prune and hints of cinnamon spice. Soft and tasty wine with a good refreshing spicy finish.

**2013****Malbec Vivolo**

di Sasso 2009

Casa Vinicola Botter Carlo&C.

Veneto

Veneto igt

\$16.15 (SAQ # 11557517)

★★ (84/100)

Uncommon grape for the region this is a soft version of Malbec. The bouquet is rather smooth with blackberry aromas and gentle notes of cured meat. A nice fruitiness is well balanced by a vibrant acidity and straight tannins.

**2010****Pinot Grigio Verduzzo**

Masiano 2010

Masi

Veneto

Bianco delle Venezie igt

\$16.95 (SAQ # 10439404)

★★★ (86/100)

Charmingly fruity peach and apricot bouquet paired with citrus and mineral accents. Crisp, medium-bodied wine with flavours of citrus fruits and a vibrant ending.



Pinot Grigio Santa Margherita 2010
 Santa Margherita
 Veneto
 Valdadige doc
 \$17.95 (SAQ # 964601)
 ★★ (84/100)
 Slightly vegetal bouquet with mineral undertones followed by green peach and exotic fruit fragrances. Vibrant wine smoothly lingering on slightly green peach flavours.



2013
Capitel della Crosara 2008
 Montresor
 Veneto
 Valpolicella Classico ripasso doc
 \$17.95 (SAQ # 10705178)
 ★★★ (86/100)
 Soft floral bouquet intertwining accents of violets, ripe berries, smoky liquorice and cedar undertones. Fruity mouth of medium body with a slightly pungy finish.



2013
Soave Monte Ceriani 2008
 Tenuta Sant'Antonio
 Veneto
 Soave doc
 \$19.30 (SAQ # 11028025)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Rich, fruity and buttery nose with lovely late summer honey accents and charming flowery undertones. Round, flavourful and inviting mouth evolving on nice floral, mineral and vanilla aromas.



2016
Campofiorin 2008
 Masi
 Veneto
 Rosso del Veronese igt
 \$19.95 (SAQ # 155051)
 ★★★ (85/100)
 Complex nose of plums, prunes, leather, cinnamon spice and violets. Fruity, medium to full body wine with a nice tannic backbone and a refreshing spicy finish.



Santa Margherita Santa Margherita
 Veneto
 Prosecco Superiore del Valdobbiadene docg
 \$20.00 (SAQ # 11379407)
 ★★★ (85/100)
 Soft and attractive Prosecco with classic floral and fruity aromas mixed with nutty undertones. Good inviting flavours are pleasantly exhaled by a fine sparkling.



2017
Sagramoso Ripasso 2009
 Pasqua Vigneti e Cantine
 Veneto
 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso doc
 \$21.80 (SAQ # 602342)
 ★★★ (87/100)
 Rich and fruity bouquet mixing fragrances of ripe blackberries, plum, raspberry and chocolate ganache. Lovely, fruity medium body wine with a tickling spicy finish.



2016
Seccal 2008
 Nicolis
 Veneto
 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso doc
 \$22.50 (SAQ # 11027807)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Floral and vegetal bouquet recalling figs and dry berries supported by cedar and balsamic accents. Filling and attractive wine with a rich fruitiness balanced by a vibrant acidity and soft dry tannins.



2017
Palazzo della Torre 2007
 Allegrini
 Veneto
 Veronese igt
 \$24.95 (SAQ # 907477)
 ★★★ (89/100)
 Deep and complex bouquet of dried figs, leather and raisins. Round and tasty mouth of rich, fruity jam flavours that elegantly linger on the palate.



2017
Valpolicella Ripasso 2009
 Tommasi
 Veneto
 Valpolicella Classico Superiore Ripasso doc
 \$24.95 (SAQ # 862110)
 ★★★ (87/100)
 Heady, floral bouquet recalling candied violets, plum and cedar. Warm and fruity medium body wine with a vibrant spiciness.



Crearo della Conca d'Oro 2008
 Tommasi
 Veneto
 Veronese igt
 \$28.70 (SAQ # 707430)
 ★★★★★ (90/100) ♥
 Floral and vegetal bouquet intertwined with dry berries and Sandal wood undertones. Rich, smooth and tasty wine with loads of fruits and a comforting warm finish.



2021
La Grola 2007
 Allegrini
 Veneto
 Veronese igt
 \$29.00 (SAQ # 858753)
 ★★★★★ (91/100) ♥
 Suave and concentrated nose displaying notes of plum, black olives, cured meats, candied violets and balsamic undertones. Elegantly balanced, medium to full body wine with a smooth, spicy lingering finish.



2018
Amarone della Valpolicella Montresor 2008
 Montresor
 Veneto
 Amarone della Valpolicella doc
 \$29.95 (SAQ # 240416)
 ★★★ (87/100)
 Sweet and sour bouquet recalling dried figs over jammy cherry accents and spicy Sandal wood. Smooth, fruity wine ending on a vibrant spicy finish with hints of bittersweet cherry aromas.



2014
Chardonnay 2009
 Jermann
 Friuli-Venezia Giulia
 Venezia Giulia igt
 \$28.60 (SAQ # 10835853)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Rich and floral bouquet displaying peach, pear and apple aromas with streams of citrus and honeycomb undertones. Intense, fruity white wine with a refreshing mineral finish.



2016
Blau & Blau 2008
 Jermann
 Friuli-Venezia Giulia
 Delle Venezie igt
 \$30.50 (SAQ # 11035823)
 ★★★ (89/100)
 Clean, attractive fragrances of black cherry and plum followed by hints of violets, cocoa and sweet clove spice. Smooth, fruity, slightly tannic body with a lively spicy finish.



2017
Farina 2007
 Remo Farina
 Veneto
 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico doc
 \$34.75 (SAQ # 10271904)
 ★★★ (88/100)
 Rustic and vegetal nose offering leather, underbrush and mushroom undertones that given a bit of air slowly evolve onto maraschino cherry and candied violets aromas. Spicy, bittersweet wine with a warm vibrant finish.



2022
Amarone Selezione 2006
 Tenuta Sant'Antonio
 Amarone della Valpolicella doc
 \$41.50 (SAQ # 10704984)
 ★★★★★ (90/100)
 Rich, heady multilayered bouquet of sweet maraschino cherry, plum, prune and fresh tobacco intertwined with hints of menthol and cinnamon spice. Rich and spicy wine with loads of bittersweet cherry flavours evolving on a fragrant and peppery ending.



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